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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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File No. 104

Serial Nos. 1—8

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Month May 1910.

SUBJECT.

Theft in the Sri Rangavattia Swami temple at Gavirangapur in the Hosadurga Taluk.

PREVIOUS REFERENCES.	LATER REFERENCES.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

(Mysore)

NOTES.

File No. 104-07

FILE HEADING.

Theft of certain properties belonging to the Sri Ranganathaswami temple at Gavirangapur, Hosadurga Taluk.

From

The Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug Dt

No. 521 Dated 2nd June 1908 Received 6th June 1908

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Reports that properties worth about Rs. 40 are reported to have been stolen from the above-mentioned temple when the permanent Archik thereof, Ranga Char was on leave and promises to submit a further report.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

7-5-1908

The Deputy Comm. further reports that the Officiating Archik, Narasimha Char, son-in-law of the permanent Archik left the place a day prior to the occurrence of theft without permission and without intimation to the

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Dharmadarsies of his intended departure

2 To

The Dy. Comm., Chitaldrug &c

Supte

, Supt. &c. ent. of Police in Mysore

Govt Pros No 5674 — 5 D 17th June 1908

Records the above letter with the

remark that the further report

promised by the Dy. Comm. is awaited.

3 From

The Supt. Genl of Police in Mysore

Letter No. 3715/378 dated the 11th Jany 1909

Forwards, for the information

of Govt, a copy of letter No 372 dated

the 25th Dec. 1908 from the Asst. Supdt.

of Police, Chitaldrug &c, reporting

that the case was ascertained to be

the outcome of Zid between the Pujari

of the temple and the Dharmadarsies

and the case (reported upon on a B sheet)

was ordered to be struck off the file

by the Amildar and 2nd class Magte.

of Hosadurga.

Draft recording is submitted

23/1/09

Please get a copy of the

standing order under which, the

temple servants concerned are bound

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to make good the loss of temple property lost and ask the Dy Comm. to recover the amount accordingly.

The standing G. O. referred to is No. 51-60 dated the 3rd Nov. 1892. Mad. F. 26-92 The principle therein enunciated is that the responsibility of temple officials to make good the loss of temple property is, of course, not a criminal one, but arises out of a rule of the Mad. Dept. which has long been in force.

Draft submitted for approval or other orders.

23/1/09

Communicate to Dr the first of the Dy's letter and call for the promised report ~~this~~ enquiring whether the lost property has been recovered or not.

27/1/1909

Draft letter submitted

23/1/09

Issued 27-1-1909

4 To The Deputy Comm., Chitaldrug Dt
No 897 dated 27th Jan. 1909

Intimates that the D Q of Police has reported that the case has been struck off the file, and enquiries if

NOTE—Contn sheet.

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the lost property was recovered

5 From The Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug Dt

No 310 dated 17th Feby 1910

Submits a further report on the loss of the temple property.

The Deputy Commr reports that the Pujari has already procured 1 [illegible] and 1 [illegible] and promises to procure the other lost articles also by raising subscriptions from the devotees of the temple. He further states that on the prayer of the pujari, he has ordered the disbursement of the arrears of the Paditana amount in case the value of the articles lost is recovered, of the same replaced by fresh ones, and that in case it is not done, the Amildar has been asked to make the necessary adjustment by drawing only such portions of the arrears of the Paditana as would meet the cost of the remaining jewels. The Dy Commr is of opinion that this is a sufficient punishment to the pujari, and that he has warned him to use only ordinary jewels on ordinary days and those more costly ones on festive days, taking care to keep watch in the temple during nights.

Subd with a draft to Secd Commr

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Draft appd by Secy

14/3/10

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NOTE—Contn. sheet.

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From The Dy Commr Chittalong Dt
" Comptroller
No 2343-4 dt 17 3 10
Approves/his action taken by the Dy Commr

From
The Dy Commr Chittalong Dt
No 421 dt 14 5 1910
States the Pujari has replaced all the lost jewels and requests the arrears of pay due may be sanctioned
Under Sects orders
'Continue note and sanction'
Subd with draft order

23/5/10

The D C has in his last letter said that if the Pujari did not make good all the jewels that were lost he should be debarred from the arrears of pay.
He now reports that all the jewels have been replaced and therefore recommends the payment of arrears of pay.
The draft may be approved

Submitted to the Secretary

26/5/1910

Draft approved by Secy.
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28/5/1910

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390 Rs.

Note – Contn sheet.

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No. 527/4.6.08

MYSORE GOVERNMENT
Received
SECRETARIAT

From

Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Chitaldrug district
Chitaldrug 2nd June 1908

C. Thangavelu Chetty Esquire B.A.
Deputy Commissioner
Chitaldrug District

To

L. Ananthaswami Rao Esquire B.A.
Secretary to the Government of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore
Magrai Department, Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honor to state that the Amildar of Hosadrug Taluk reports that the marginally noted properties worth about Rs 40/- belonging to the Sri Ranganatha Swami temple at Gauranganapur, have been stolen. It will be seen from the enclosed records that the permanent archak Rangachar is on leave, his son-in-law Narasimhachar who has been officiating for him, left the place for Chickanayakanahalli a day previous to the date of occurrence of theft without permission, even without informing the Dharmadarsis of his intended departure, handing the charge of the temple to his brother Narasimhachar

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He says that he locked the door on the evening of the 7th May 1908 after performing the puja and that when he visited the temple at 12 noon the next day, he found the lock in tact but the hinges of the door displaced, and that he at once brought the matter to the notice of the authorities. The lock was opened by the Police Jamadar the interior of the temple carefully inspected and the above mentioned properties were found missing. The Police Jamadar does not seem to think that the hinges of the door were displaced from outside. The case is still under investigation and I shall submit a further report when it is completed.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

Deputy Commissioner

Chittagong District.

Murzai.

Read:- 52 dated
Letter No. 2nd June 1908,
from the Dy. Commissioner
of the Chitaldrug District,
reporting that a theft
occured in the temple of
Sri Ranganathaswami at
Gavirangapur in the
Hosadurga Taluk, on the
7th May 1908 and that
properties of the value of Rs
Rs 40/- was lost and
also stating that the case
is being investigated by
the Police.

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order thereon. No. -

Recorded.

2. The further report
promised by the Deputy
Commissioner

5674-5
17.6.1908

Commissioner is awaked.

DOL) 15/6/05

Secretary
14/11/08

To.
The Dy. Commissioner,
Central drug Dt., Rly. record.
" Inspector-General of Police
in Mysore, for information

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From

The Inspector-General of
Police in Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Govt of
H. H the Maharaja of Mysore,
~~Gen and Rev Depts~~
Mugrar Department

Dated 11th

Despatched 11th January 1909

Received

General No. 3715
378

Enclosure No. One

Report re the theft in the Temple of Sri Ranganatha Swamy at Gavarangapur.

No 3715 Encl 378

OFFICE OF THE
INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE
Dated Bangalore. / 17 January 1909.

From

D. Devaraj Urs Esquire,
Inspector-General of Police in Mysore.

To

K. S. Chandrasekhara Iyer Esquire, B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,
Muzrai ~~General and Revenue~~ Departments.

Sir,

Adverting to Government Proceedings No. 5674-5 dated 17-6-1908, regarding the theft in the temple of Sri Ranganatha Swamy at Gavirangapur, I have the honor to forward herewith for the information of Government copy of letter No.372 dated 25-12-08 from the Assistant Superintendent of Police, Chitaldrug. He reports that the case was ascertained to be the outcome of zid between ~~th~~ certain temple servants and that therefore a B sheet was submitted to the Amildar and 2nd class Magistrate of Hosdrug, who accepted it.

I have the honor to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

Lakshmanaraya

For Inspector General of Police.

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No.372. Dated 25th December 1908.

From,

B. Ramaswamiah Esquire, B.A.,
Asst. Superintendent of Police,
Chitaldrug District.

To,

D. Devaraj Urs Esquire,
Inspector General of Police in Mysore,
B a n g a l o r e.

Sir,

With reference to your No.67/3 dated 3rd July 1908 and subsequent reminder dated 21-8-1908 calling for a report as to the progress made in the detection and recovery of property lost in the temple of Sri Ranganatha Swami at Gavirangapur in Hosdrug Taluk, I have the honor to state that from the Police investigation the case was found to be the outcome of zid that existed between the Dharmadarsis and Pujaris of the temple and a "B" sheet having been submitted to the Amildar and 2nd class Magistrate of Hosdrug, the case was ordered to be struck off the file on 22-10-1908.

I have &c,
(Sd). [illegible]
For Asst. Superintendent of Police
Chitaldrug District.

"C O P Y"

[illegible]
For Inspector General of Police.

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Diary No. of letter replied to ____

No. 577

General and Rev. Secretariat

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To

The Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug Dt.

Date of issue 27.1.09

Signed by W. A. S. Iyer

Sir,

In continuation of Govt. Pro. No. 5674-5 dated the 17th June 1908, recording your letter No. 521 dated the 2nd June 1908 in re the loss of property valued at Rs. 40, belonging to the Sri Ranganathaswami Temple at Gavirangapur in the Hosadurga Taluk, I am directed to inform you that the Dep. Inspr. General of Police in Mysore reports, in his letter No. 3415/378 dated the 11th January 1909, that the case ~~otherwise~~

P.T.O.

SUBJECT.

~~which~~ was reported upon by the Police in B ~~sheet~~ from to the Assistant and 2nd class Magistrate of the Ittamangar Taluk was moved to be struck off the file.

2. ~~I am to~~ In request you to submit to Govt. the further report promised in your letter of 2nd June 1908 ~~and~~ I am to enquire if the ~~whole or part of the~~ lost property has been recovered

I have &c.

B
Sd/- [illegible]
For Secy. to Govt.

Sd/ 25/6/08

List of enclosures,

Copied by

Examined by

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore (Muzarayi),—dated 3rd November 1892.

READ :—

Letter No 812—2, dated 14th February 1891, from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, reporting that a theft was committed in the temple of Champakadhamaswami at Bannerghatta, Anekal Taluk, on the night of the 18th January 1891, that the value of the articles etc, lost amounted to Rs 40 and that under the spirit of the previous Government orders on the subject, he ordered the recovery of the amount from Ramachari, Archik of the temple, who had the sole charge of the property belonging to the Institution.

READ AGAIN :—

The Government order No. 9533—M. 310, dated 4th December 1891, directing the recovery of the value of the property lost from the Archik.

READ :—

Appeal Petitions Nos. 2998 and 685, dated respectively 15th January and 2nd June 1892, from Ramachari, Archik of the aforesaid temple, representing that the property referred to was lost in the temple owing to the commission of burglary therein, he was not therefore responsible for the loss; that it is extremely hard that he should be called upon to make good the loss; and praying that the order of the Deputy Commissioner may be cancelled.

READ ALSO :—

The following Memo, dated 14th October 1892, by the Muzarayi Superintendent, citing previous rulings on the subject :—

MEMO.

The following is the collection of authorities on the subject of the responsibility of the temple servants in regard to the loss of property occurring in temples :—

In 1855 jewellery valued Rs. 3,188 was lost in the temple at Nanjangud under circumstances indicating that it had been stolen; the suspected persons were placed before a Magistrate for trial, but owing to the defect in the evidence, the case fell through and the offenders were released, yet the then Superintendent of Ashtagram Division, Col. Elliot, in accordance with the ancient usage in the Province, directed the recovery of the value of the property from the temple servants according to the extent of their responsibility. This order of the Superintendent was upheld by Mr. Bowring, the then Chief Commissioner—*Vide* Chief Commissioner's letter No. 1234-37, dated 28th June 1866, and also Col. Elliot's letter on the subject attached to it."

ii. In the Agastheswara Temple in the late Talkad Taluk, a series of thefts had occurred. In all these cases the late Chief Commissioner held that the temple servants should be held responsible for the loss of the property and directed its value being recovered from them rateably. In this order also the long existing usage is cited as an authorty for the order—*Vide* late Chief Chmmissioner's Proceedings No. 682—66, dated 28th May 1879.

iii. In 1866 a few jewels were stolen from the temple of Narasimhaswami at Sreerangapatam and their value was, under the orders of the Amildar and the Sub-Division Officer, recovered from the temple servants and the Dewan confirmed the order of the local officers in the matter—*Vide* Proceedings of the Dewan No. 7346-432, dated 13th September 1890.

No. 51-60—MUZ. F. 26-92, DATED BANGALORE, 3RD NOVEMBER 1892.

ORDER THEREON.—The responsibility of temple officials to make good the loss of temple property is, of course, not a criminal one, but arises out of a rule of the Muzarayi Department which has long been in force. It is under existing circumstances a well recognized condition of temple service. The Government, therefore, consider it would be highly inexpedient to relax the rule in question on the ground of individual hardship.

2. As ordered already in Government Proceedings No. 9533-310, dated 4th December 1891, the sum of Rs. 40, being the value of the jewels lost, should be recovered from Archik Ramachari and credited to the temple Funds.

A. SREENIVASSACHARLU,
Secretary.

To—The Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District,
(returning the Vernacular papers).
The Deputy Commissioners of other districts and
Palace Controller, Mysore, for information and guidance.
The Comptroller to the Government of Mysore.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

MUZARAYI

PROCEEDINGS

Dated 3rd November 1892

No 51-60
Muz F. 26-92

Directing the recovery of Rs. 40, the value of jewels lost in the Bannerghatta temple from the Archik thereof.

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From The Deputy Commissioner
Chittagong District

To The Secretary to the Govt
of Bengal Revenue Branch
Darjeeling

Dated 17

Despatched 19 February 1910

Received

General No. 310

No.

Enclosure No.

Submitting further
report on the loss of
property worth Rs 40/-
belonging to the Sri
Ranganathaswamy
temple at Gaviranlapur
Hosadurga Tk.

Refer G/I 07
21/2/10
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Office of the Deputy Commissioner
Chitaldrug District
Dated Chitaldrug, 17th February 1910

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From

M. Chengiah Chetty, Esquire, B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner
Chitaldrug District

To

C. S Balasundaram Iyer, Esquire, B.A.,
Offg. Secretary to the Government of His
Highness the Maharaja of Mysore
Muzrai Branch
Bangalore.

Sir,

Adverting to your letter No. 897/Muz 107-07-4 received here on the 28th January 1909, calling for a further report on the loss of properties valued at Rs 40/- belonging to Sri Ranganatha Swamy at Savirangapur in the Hosadrug Taluk, I have the honor to state that, as reported by the Inspector-General of Police, the Police investigation in the matter ended in the Submission of a "B" Report in the Case.

2. From the departmental instituted by the Huzdar, it

was ascertained that the permanent pujari was absent from duty on the date of the alleged occurrence of theft, and that he has left his brother-in-law in charge of the temple. The Pujari does not suspect his relation to have committed the deed; but it is also reported that ill-feeling exists between the Patel of the village and the Pujari. The latter promises to procure a fresh set of jewels and other articles lost on account of his carelessness, to say the least, by raising subscriptions from the devotees of the temple. From his statement given before the Amildar, it is learnt that the marginally noted jewels have already been procured. The Pujari now prays that the paditara amount held over from the date of the alleged occurrence of theft may be ordered to be disbursed to him. I have issued instructions to the Amildar to disburse to the Pujari

the

the amount held in arrears in case the value of the articles lost is recovered in cash or by fresh jewels. The pujari has been warned to be more careful in future and to use only the marginally noted jewels on ordinary days, the other costly ones being used on festive days, when he has been enjoined to keep watch in the temple during nights in company with the necessary attendants. The Dharmadarsies have also been encouraged to give their personal attention to the satisfactory management of the temple affairs.

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3. Should the Pujari fail to produce either the value or the jewels similar in description to those lost, I have asked the Amildar to make the necessary adjustment by drawing only such portion of the arrears of the Padikkaram amount as would meet the cost thereof. This is, I think, a sufficient punishment -

to

to the pujari for his having failed to take the precautionary measures to safeguard the property of the institution during his absence from the place.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant

R Munuswamy
for Deputy Commissioner
Chitaldrug District

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ઉપરોક્ત ઠરાવ અન્વયે ગુજરાત રાજ્યના રાજ્યપાલશ્રીની મંજૂરીથી

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ગુજરાત રાજ્ય, ગાંધીનગર

પ્રતિ,

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the Secy Govt
enclosing the bill
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Diary No. of letter replied to

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.
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Date of issue 17th March 1910

Signed by Mr. A. S. Iyer

READ—

Letter no 310, dated 17th Feb.y 1910 from the Dy Commr, Chitaldrug Dt, with refce to Govt Pro no 5674-5 dated 17 June 1908, that the pujaru of the Sri nathaswami Temple at in the Hosdurga Taluk has already

ORDER THEREON.—No. two of the jewels lost in the temple and has promised to the other jewels also, and further stating that if the pujaru does not do so, he has directed the value thereof from the Padikara held over the date of the occurrence of theft Rs balance paid over to him

over

instructions have been issued, in view of the Pujari not replacing them, to demand

SUBJECT.

Order thereon :- 23423-4 9 17 3/10

The action taken by the Dy Commr

approved.

5/3/1910

11/3/10

For Secretary

5/5/1910

To

The Dy Commr, Chitaldrug Dt

" Comptr, Mysore Govt, for info

S I D 2134

1909 - 1910 1-4-07.

From the Deputy Commissioner Central Provinces Division

To the Secretary to the Government of India Imperial Department Bangalore

Dated 14th May 1910

Despatched

Received

General No.

No.

Enclosure No.

Requesting that arrears of pay due to the Imperial Government Tahsildar may be kindly ordered to be disbursed, as the Imperial replaced all the Local Fund

Refer & return note

RL 16/5/10

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No: 421 Enclosure file

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldroog District.
Dated Chitaldroog, 14th May 1910.

From

M. Chengiah Chetty Esquire B. A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
CHITALDROOG.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esquire B. A.,
Officiating Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Muzarai Department,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. 310. dated 27-2-10, I have the honor to state that all the jewels lost in the Gaviranga-pur Temple, Hosadurga Taluk, have been replaced by the Pujari, and to request therefore that the arrears of pay due to him may be ordered to be disbursed.

A supplemental pay bill for Rs 48-7-0× is herewith forwarded for favour of countersignature and transmission to the Comptroller for audit.

× From May 1908 to December 1909

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District.

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File No. 104-07
Serial No. 87

Diary No of letter replied to 2134

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.
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Date of issue

Signed by

READ.—

Letter no 521 dated the 4th June 1908 from the Dy Commr Chitaldrug Distt. submitting a preliminary report about the loss of certain jewels worth nearly Rs 40/- in the

~~ORDER THEREON.—~~ No. Gavi Rangasamy temple in the Gavirangapur, Hoolury Taluk.

2) Correspondence ending with letter no 3715/378 dated the 11th January 1909 from the Inspector General of Police in Mysore reporting that over the

SUBJECT

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MGCPB—5,000—24-6-04

the case was ascertained to be the outcome of Zid between certain temple servants and that therefore a B sheet was submitted to the Amildar & 2nd Class Magte of Hoskote who accepted it.

3) Correspondence ending with letter No. 421 of 14th may 1910 stating that all the jewels lost in the said temple have been replaced by the Pujari and submitting a supplemental pay bill for Rs 48-7-0 being arrears of pay due to him.

2892-4

Order thereon No. ~~2890-4~~ Dy 3.610

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The bill for Rs 48-7-0 is sanctioned and forwarded to the Accountant for audit and adjustment.

27/5/10

To the Dy Secy/Installing Dist
" Comptroller with the sanctd bill
" Dy
ie.

27/5/10

Draft
RL 23/5/10

for Secy.